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In re application of:

TATSUYA KAWAKAMI

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A BICYCLE TRANSMISSION

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98

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The references cited on Form PTO/SB/08a are being called to the attention of the Examiner.
A copy of each foreign reference is submitted herewith.

The references were cited in a European Search Report for EP 05009121.4, the European patent application which corresponds to this application. A copy of the European Search Report is also enclosed so that the examiner may refer to it when deciding the relevance of the references.

US 5,094,120 and US 2002/0124678, listed in the search report, were previously cited to the U.S. Patent Office on July 23, 2004 and therefore are not being cited in this information disclosure statement.

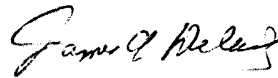
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It is respectfully requested that the cited information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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